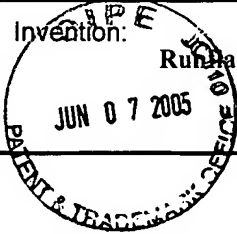
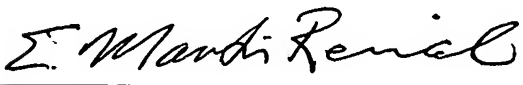
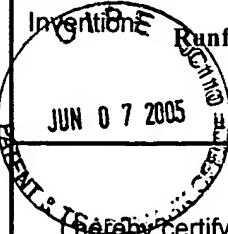


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Invention: <b>Rubber insert for tires and materials therefor</b> 						
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**Invention** Runflat insert for tires and materials therefor

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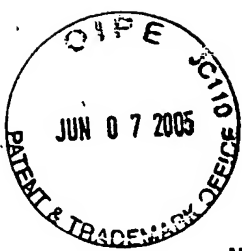


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication of May 17, 2005 wherein Examiner Exerett issued a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment regarding the Amendment filed on April 7, 2005 in the above-identified application, Applicant hereby submits this Response required by 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Applicant respectfully requests that this Response be considered and entered.

The original Amendment filed on April 7, 2005 was to correct the priority claim in the above-identified Application for Patent. This Amendment follows the instructions given in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure at section 201.11 on page 200-64, right hand column (Rev. 2, May 2004). Hence, in compliance with the instructions in the MPEP to submit the benefit claim in the manner specified in 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2)(i) and (a)(2)(iii), Applicant Hereby submits the following Amendment to the reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120.